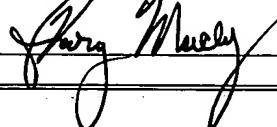


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Serial No.: 09/686,729

Filing Date: October 10, 2000

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ANNULOPLASTY PROCEDURE AND
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Examiner: A. Hoey

Group Art Unit: 3765

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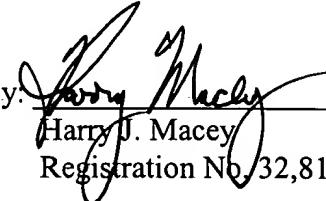
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1001	770	2001	385	130	2051	Surcharge – late filing fee or oath
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	50	Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
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1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month			
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1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing			
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding			
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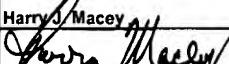
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